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Greetings Bay Point Families and Friends.

Where is the time going? We are already into our 2nd marking period and the students are making great progress. We love seeing all the hard work that they are doing focused on reaching mastery of their grade level standards. If you have not already done so, please be sure that you are checking your student's grade in parent portal. This is a great resource for parents not only about their child's grades but also any attendance issues they may be having. This portal will be with your child all the way through high school, so it's great to begin practicing use of it now.

We want to remind all of our families of the importance of attendance. Even a few minutes late impacts your child's day. What may seem like only one day here or there adds up. Students with regular attendance show academic gains greater than their peers who miss even one day a month. It is something simple that has a great impact. A few helpful hints for our families and visitors about attendance:

1. If you are picking up your child from school early for an appointment, please be sure that you bring the proper ID and that you do so before 2:15pm. Without the proper ID, even if you are a regular visitor to campus, we will not be able to release your child to you.
2. If you are changing your child's going home instructions, please be sure to let your child's teacher know in writing in their planner as well as notifying the front office. We do not take student's words for those changes.
3. School starts promptly at 8:45am. If your child is arriving at that time or later, they are considered tardy to school. Please be sure though that your child does not arrive to campus prior to 8:15am as there is no adult supervision until that time.
4. If your child is going to be absent from school, please be sure to send a note in to the school and/or use our online absence reporting tool to let us know why (more info available in this newsletter).

Finally, we wanted to ask all of our families' support in making sure that your student is regularly using their CLEVER program to get onto their iReady practice site. This site allows them at-home practice in Reading and Math to help grow their understanding of grade level concepts or supports in areas that they need growth. Each student should be spending at least 45 minutes in Reading and 45 minutes in Math each week. Your child can show you how to check if they are getting their minutes. Also, be sure to check out our last pages to find out what your child's focus is in ELA, Math and Science. Thank you for your support in helping us, help your student grow!

Sincerely
Mrs. Sara
Broom
Principal



Calendar: November

- 1 PTA T-shirt sales
- 2 District Magnet Fair (Pinellas Park High) 9:30-11:30am
- 4 District Magnet Fair (Lakewood High) 6:00-7:30pm
- 13 Great American Teach-In BPE Discovery Night-6:00-7:00pm
- 13 Citizen of the Month Breakfast- 7:45am
- 15 **All Pro Dads Breakfast 7:45am**
- 20 **Picture Re-takes (Uniform Day)**
- 25-29 Thanksgiving Break (Schools closed)

Upcoming in December

- 6 PTA T-shirt sales
- 12 Citizen of the Month Breakfast-7:45am
- 18 Winter Concert- (Lakewood High)
- 20 **All Pro Dads Breakfast 7:45am**
Dec. 23-Jan.6- Winter Break



Office Hours

7:45 AM—3:45 PM

Office Phone: 727-552-1449

Dial "0" for the Front Office

School Website:

www.pcsb.org/baypoint-es

TIP: Bookmark this page in your browser!

Commitment to Character

Citizenship

Being law abiding and involved in service to the school, community, and country

MISSION STATEMENT

Educate and Prepare Each Student for College, Career and Life.

***Our Guidelines for Success
Things to keep in mind***

**Be Responsible
Be Respectful
Be Safe**

Panther Bucks-How do they work?: Students can be awarded a Panther Buck from any adult working on campus for being caught following one or more of our guidelines for success.

What should they do with them? Their teacher signs the buck and then students should fill them out with their name, and grade and then they can either shop at our school store or turn them in for team points (Ask your student about their team)

What are the rewards? Students can shop at the school store or their team can win a celebration each month.

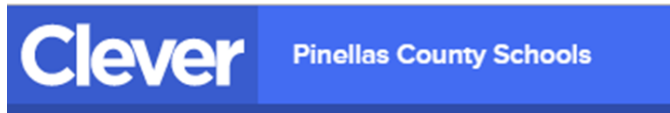
***Help us, Help your student
(Please remind them and/or encourage them)***

- ◆ To keep their hands/feet to themselves at all times
- ◆ Electronic equipment should be off and out of sight or staff may take it for a parent to pick up
- ◆ No horseplay at any time
- ◆ They should have their listening ears on at all times
- ◆ Let an adult handle any conflicts or concerns they have

Tech News



Our students have several online programs that can be accessed at home and/or at a public library. Every student has their own username and password to access all of our online programs. If you have any questions or are having issues with your students getting on Clever to access these programs, please contact your child's teacher 727-552-1449 so that they can get you assistance.



Time is Important

School Times:

Gates Open	8:15am
Free Breakfast	Begins at 8:15
Gates Close	8:45am
Classes Start	8:45am
Classes Dismiss	2:55pm



November notes:

- ◆ Students should not be dropped off on campus prior to 8:15am unless they are part of the YMCA. This is a safety issue as adult duty does not start until then.
- ◆ Students should not be picked up early as they are missing vital learning. Every minute counts.
- ◆ If your child is going to be absent, please be sure to call and send a note in when they return explaining their absence. You can also report a student absence on our website at <http://www.pcsb.org/baypoint-es>

Every Minute Counts...

Every minute counts in learning, so if your child is absent or tardy more than 10% of the time, they are missing vital instruction. With that, we are sending home attendance notices to those students who are frequently absent or tardy (excused or unexcused). Regular, on-time attendance, is part of the magnet agreement. It is important that you talk to us if your child is having difficulty getting to school. Call us at 727-552-1449. If your child must be absent, don't forget to send a note letting us know why. You can even do it online at <https://www.pcsb.org/Page/20892>. We are here to help!



Magnet News

...Mrs. Stetz

The Application Period for students entering Kindergarten, 6th grade, or 9th grade in the 2020-2021 school year is Jan. 8-17, 2020.

District Application Program Info Fairs:

Nov. 2nd, 9:30-11:30am Pinellas Park High School

Nov. 4th, 6:00-7:30pm at Lakewood High School

Bay Point's Discovery Night will be held November 13th at 6 pm.

*** If your student is already a student here at Bay Point in Kindergarten-4th grade you do not need to reapply.**

Dress for Success...we are a uniform school

Just a gentle reminder that the school dress code must be followed at all times:

Bottoms

- ◇ Solid khaki/tan or navy blue (free of writing and designs)
- ◇ Shorts, skirts, jumpers or long pants
- ◇ No denim (jeans) material

Tops

- ◇ Solid navy blue or white, short or long sleeve, polo-style with collars
- ◇ (free of writing and designs)
- ◇ Bay Point Elementary School logo T-shirts sold by the PTA
- ◇ Order forms available in the office or online at: www.bpepta.org
- ◇ White or navy blue turtlenecks are allowed in the winter months

Sweatshirts and Sweaters

- ◇ Solid navy blue or white sweatshirts or sweaters for use in classrooms



Picture retakes!



Picture retakes will be on Wednesday, Nov. 20th.

Don't Forget

ID is REQUIRED IF YOU OR YOUR REPRESENTATIVE ARE PICKING UP YOUR CHILD EARLY OR LATE FROM SCHOOL. ALSO, ALL THOSE SENT MUST BE ON THE STUDENT'S INFORMATION CARD FOR US TO RELEASE THEM- SO PLEASE KEEP THAT UP TO DATE!!!!



It's never okay!
If you have a bully concern, please submit a report.
<http://pcsb.schoolwires.net/>

STAY ENGAGED

The PCS Family Engagement Mobile APP provides parents access to extended classroom opportunities, family engagement tips and opportunities and parent "How To" videos. There is information about parent workshop schedules, parent peer support, and information that will support student learning and school improvement.

The PCS Family Engagement Mobile APP is free to download and is available for both Apple and Android Mobile devices. To download the APP, simply type "PCS Family Engagement" in the search box of either the Apple iTunes APP Store or the Google Play Android APP store.

The APP has direct links to all PCS schools, Parent Academy and mentor workshops, daily engagement tips, videos, academic support, Florida Standards and much more. The APP also allows for more effective communications with families via its direct messaging feature.





We need you! You have the power to enrich a child's life-in as little as an hour.

Please join us for Annual Great American Teach-in.

This year's event is scheduled for Wednesday, Nov. 13th. Opportunities are available from 9:00-2:00pm. You may stay for an hour or even for the whole day!

If you are interested in joining our BPE family for this great event, please contact Mrs Krampert krampertf@pcsb.org or 727-552-1449.

PLEASE JOIN US!!!!

Registration Form

NAME: _____

PHONE (DAY): _____

PHONE (NIGHT): _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____

STATE: _____

ZIP: _____

CHOICE OF SCHOOL (OPTIONAL): _____

SUBJECT MATTER: _____

GRADE PREFERENCE: _____

LENGTH OF STAY: 1-2 HRS 3-4 HRS ALL DAY

TIME OF DAY TO ATTEND: _____

EQUIPMENT NEEDED: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

Nov. 4-8 is Red Ribbon Week

Red Ribbon Week is a national drug prevention campaign, focusing on educating students on the negative effects of drugs and other destructive substances. Corey Thornton will be delivering an anti-bullying and anti-drug message on Nov. 5! Please encourage your child to celebrate with us with the below theme days!

Monday, Nov 4

“Sock it to Drugs” – **wear crazy socks**

Tuesday, Nov 5

“Too Bright for Bullying & Drugs” – **wear sunglasses**

Wednesday, Nov 6

“Don't Be Crazy, Say No to Drugs & Bullying” – **crazy hair day**

Thursday, Nov 7

“Don't Let Drugs Turn You Inside Out” – **wear clothes inside out day**

Friday, Nov 8

“Hats off to Being Drug Free” – **wear your favorite hat day**

Message from the PTA

Bay Point Families –

Wow! This school year is zooming by! As we move into November, we begin to think of why we are thankful. We are thankful that our PTA Fall Fundraiser has come and gone and was a great success – Our Top Ten sellers were Joseph Green, Lameria Purson, Jayla Mitchell, Jake Baptiste, Cameron Moore, Aamil Adams, Ty'anna Crockett-Wilson, Aaliyah Brown, and Gunner Alvarado. Thank you to everyone who participated.

PTA is also thankful that we have great families, teachers, and administration who love and support the mission of our school. Thank you to each of you who look for ways to support and enhance our school even in the smallest way every single day.

VOLUNTEERS are an important part of PTA. We can't do what we do without volunteers and we need YOU! There are many opportunities to give an just a small amount of your time to help with one of our many events this year. Please email us at Ashleihendricks@gmail.com or Kathrynreynold@hotmail.com if you are interested in volunteering with us!

If you haven't yet had the chance to purchase a school t-shirt at any of our events, there are still plenty of opportunities to purchase one for \$8 each. (The t-shirts meet the dress code). The PTA sells t-shirts before school on the first Friday of each month in the car circle. You can also order t-shirts by submitting an order form with your payment to the PTA box in the front office. The order form can be found on our website www.bpepta.org. Please allow at least 5 days to fill your order as we are short on volunteers. We accept credit/debit cards on square in addition to cash and checks!

Stay in touch and in the know:

www.bpepta.org

Check your child's backpack for flyers about upcoming activities.

Sign up on our website to receive email updates!

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¡NOTICIAS OLÉ!



By: Sra. Jakubik

We had a great and busy month in October. “Fiesta Night” was a total success and it was our way at Bay Point Elementary Magnet School to commemorate National Hispanic Heritage Month. What a great event to celebrate the contributions of Hispanic and Latino Americans to the history, heritage and culture of our great country the United States of America! A huge Thank You to all our families who were present and gave us your support and love. Thank You also to our wonderful PTA for always being the pillar for this event and the help towards our Spanish Program as well.

Our scholars are making progress in their Spanish classes. They are practicing their greetings, numbers, Spanish alphabet and lots of vocabulary on a daily basis. We are always very proud of them. In November, our Kindergarteners, First, and Second Graders will learn ‘Vegetables vocabulary’ and related phrases, and just in time for our November festivities and family reunions for ‘thankful moments’, our Third and Fourth Graders will be working on ‘Telling Time’ in Spanish, and our Fifth Graders will learn more food vocabulary and their preferences during each meal of the day (Breakfast, Lunch, Snack and Dinner).

And finally, there is no complete language learning without our Cultural Connections Lessons. This month our big cultural piece and experience will be the Mexican Holiday and celebration of ‘El Dia de los Muertos’, which it is becoming a world famous and known celebration. Our scholars will be tasting ‘Pan de Muertos’ or ‘Las Calacas de Azúcar’. We will be using our Café Olé kitchen in order to prepare and savor these treats. We all really enjoy this time of the year!



Wishing you and your families a loving, peaceful, and healthy Month Of Giving Thanks-We are certainly very grateful for you and your/our scholars!!

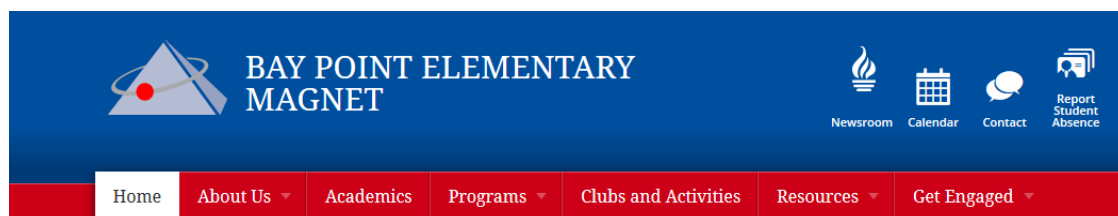
The Spanish Team,
Sra. Jakubik – Sra. McKinley – Sra. Morejon

Reporting Absences Online

Attendance Goal: To reduce the number of students missing 10% or more of school (*10% is equal to missing about 2 days of school per month during a school year*).

Families may log on to our school's website at www.pcsb.org/baypoint-es to report their child's absence that day. Please see the specific directions and visual displays below.

The top of the website looks like this with the icon on the right.



Click on the icon "Report Student Absence" and it will direct you on how to report your student's absence. The page will look like this (see below). Click on the blue circle and it will create an email to the school directly.



Don't forget to include your student's name, date of birth, grade, date absent and the reason when reporting. It is that easy! No more waiting on the phone to talk to someone.

****Other ways to report an absence include sending a note to your child's teacher in the agenda book or turning in the note directly to our schools DMT (Data Management Technician) in the front office.***

GUIDANCE CORNER

Happy November Bay Point Families!

Our Commitment to Character trait in November is CITIZENSHIP: *Being law abiding and involved in service to school, community, and country.* Students can demonstrate CITIZENSHIP at school by following their classroom and school-wide expectations. Please ask your child what their classroom expectations are! Ask them to share with you our school-wide Guidelines for Success as well! (Be Safe, Be Respectful, Be Responsible)

Olweus Bullying Prevention Program Kicks off at Bay Point Elementary this month!

Bay Point Elementary is an Olweus (ol-vay-us) Bullying Prevention Program school! Bullying is not tolerated here, and we will be educating all students and staff on what is bullying, how everyone can help prevent bullying, how to be an upstander (a helpful bystander), and how to promote kindness. We will be kicking off this prevention program with our students on Nov. 5 with a performance by Corey Thornton!

Bullying IS:

- Repeated
- Or has the potential for being repeated (as in severe cases)
- Intentional
- Deliberate, not accidental or unaware
- Power imbalance

Can be physical or social power imbalance

Students often mistake a peer being rude or mean for bullying. While we discourage rude and mean behavior, it is important to understand the differences.

Rude = when someone is accidentally mean one time

Mean = when someone is purposefully mean one time

